

# RESCUED IN WRECK OF NEW CAPRONI

## Machine Plunges to Ground From Height of 50 Feet Near Mineola.

### RECENT ILLNESS BLAMED

#### Famous Italian Aviator Had Made Many Spectacular Flights While Here.

Capt. Antonio Silvio Resnati, the Italian army aviator, whose daring manipulation of the gigantic Caproni twelve passenger triplane made New York and Washington gasp, seated himself in a new plane at Hanehurst field on Hempstead Plain yesterday and started upward toward a cloudless, windless sky. Within a minute he was dead, crushed beneath one of the machine's three great motors. The left plane of the Caproni had crumpled when he was fifty feet in the air.

Experienced aviators of our own and our allies' armies, cadets and mechanics—all in several hundreds of witnesses to the tragedy—were completely mystified. Rumors flew around that the machine had been tampered with; that the great aviator was the victim of treacherous sabotage; that the machine had been tampered with; that the great aviator was the victim of treacherous sabotage; that the machine had been tampered with; that the great aviator was the victim of treacherous sabotage.

# WILLIAM L. ABINGTON USES RAZOR TO DIE

## Actor Found in Bathroom With Throat Cut.

William L. Abington, 50, an English actor, cut his wrist and throat with a razor blade in his apartment, 235 West Seventy-sixth street, last night and died in a private sanitarium shortly after. It was said he had been ill for some time with a nervous breakdown.

Mrs. Abington told the police her husband had appeared well at dinner, but that he had retired early. A few moments after she supposed he had gone to bed he heard a noise in the room. Investigating, she found him lying on the floor, bleeding profusely.

Mrs. Abington had been a prominent actress in Shakespearean and other roles. At his marriage with Miss Blouck in 1908 Amelia Blouck and Louise Galloway, who were attending the wedding, were the best man and among the ushers were De Wolf Hopper, Willson Lachy and Augustus Parrett. There were a large attendance of theatrical people.

# AIR MAIL SERVICE AGAIN HITS SNAGS

## Airmen Have Trouble Getting From the Capital to Philadelphia.

### THIS END IS ALL RIGHT

#### Lieut. Boyle Forced to Land by Fog—Webb's Record Good.

The Government has had to account for the weather for a quarter of a century or more, and it now has the air-mail service on its hands. The record of the first three days with the air post, which is definitely not an exacting aerial test, has been a record of putting more dependability on the air than on the weather as a Federal project. Out of six trips three were successful, beating the rail time from Washington to New York by two hours. Put it up to the public if the weather man hit it right even three times out of six.

So far as the airman are concerned, getting out of Washington and into Philadelphia seems to be a knotty problem. The first day Lieut. George L. Boyle fouled his propeller in a forced landing at Waldorf, Md. Yesterday the same fate met fog and strong winds, and an hour and a half later Lieut. Boyle was forced to land at the outskirts of the city.

# DEAD ENGINE DRIVER PLUNTS CROWDED PASSENGER TRAIN

## John La Forge Stricken With Heart Attack After Leaving New Dorp, S. I., and Fireman Discovers Lifeless Body as Train Dashes Past Stations.

Unaware that the engine, John La Forge, was dead in the cab of the locomotive that bowed toward home so steadily, some 200 persons in three cars of a Staten Island Rapid Transit Railroad train, mostly commuters between St. George and Tottenville, calmly indulged in their favorite homegoing pastime, appearing luxuriously after the day's grind.

Men read the afternoon papers or looked at the telegraph poles as they passed, congratulating themselves that the old steam engine was hitting it up a bit.

Even the fireman was oblivious of the fact that death rode in the racing cab with him until he stopped to investigate the failure of the engine to sound his whistle for a certain crossing. Then the fireman, Frederick Hough, glanced around the firebox, saw the body of the dead engine driver, and pulled out the engine's place at the throttle.

The engine had pulled out of New Dorp and was racing toward Tottenville, the last stop before the fireman's discovery. He recollected that the engine had complained of feeling "poorly" as the train pulled out of New Dorp. He had called a physician at the end of the run. Hough threw the throttle wide open in an effort to get him there in time.

# ACCUSED TEACHER SAYS SHE IS LOYAL

## Gertrude A. M. Pignol Concedes to Recent Change of Ideas.

### BUYS A LIBERTY BOND

#### Declines to Say She Wants to See Germany Crushed in War.

Gertrude A. M. Pignol, former teacher of German and French in the Manual Training High School of Brooklyn, who was born in Berlin and who became a citizen of the United States in 1910, went on trial yesterday before five members of the Board of Education on charges of conduct unbecoming a teacher.

The trial is the result of charges preferred in March by Dr. Horace M. Snyder, principal of Manual Training High School, and made public by the pupils in that institution that Miss Pignol spoke pro-German sentiments regarding the war quite freely. It was also charged that she had made five charges against the teacher. These charges were made by the pupils in that institution that Miss Pignol spoke pro-German sentiments regarding the war quite freely. It was also charged that she had made five charges against the teacher. These charges were made by the pupils in that institution that Miss Pignol spoke pro-German sentiments regarding the war quite freely.

# ICE PRICES FORCE 1,000 'TONIES' OUT

## Cellar Dealers' Business Is Ruined by Odell Order.

### Dr. Day Still Defies State

#### Comptroller on New England Shipment.

One thousand tonies and the greater of 4,000 cellar dealers, according to Antonio Selvaggi, who cannot make a profit at the prices fixed by former Governor R. B. Odell, State Ice Comptroller, Mr. Selvaggi is attorney for the Greater New York Retail Cellar Dealers and American Ice Dealers associations.

"Many of these men have made contracts to buy ice below the prices fixed by Dr. Odell," the lawyer said. "Now they are forbidden by him to take the ice they contracted for at lower prices. Some of them have already paid deposits to Burns Bros. and the Knickerbocker Ice Company on these contracts."

"If they were allowed to buy ice at \$4 a ton, the price set by Commissioner Day, to which is added \$1.25 paid to the drivers for delivery, they could make a living. With the drivers paying \$4.40, the wholesale price of the ice Comptroller sets those fellows are getting as high as \$5 a ton, the cellar men cannot keep going."

# The Sun Calendar

## THE WEATHER.

For eastern New York, fair to-day; warmer in the east portion; probably showers and somewhat cooler to-morrow; moderate southerly winds.

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# COL. JOHN J. CARTY WINS EDISON MEDAL

## Chief Engineer of Telephone Company Decorated Before Many Scientists.

At one of the most remarkable gatherings of scientific men ever held in this city, or in this country for that matter, Col. John J. Carty, the man whose experiments made transatlantic telephony possible, was decorated last night with the Edison medal for meritorious achievement in the scientific and art of electrical engineering. The presentation was the feature of the annual meeting of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, held in the United Engineering Society's Building, 33 West Thirty-ninth street.

Col. Carty is an officer in the Signal Corps of the army and chief engineer of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company. He is the eighth man to receive the Edison medal, which is one of the highest honors possible to bestow on an American scientist. Beside him on the platform were Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, the father of the telephone, and Major General George O. Squier, chief of the Signal Corps of the United States Army; Dr. Michael I. Pupin of Columbia University; Dr. E. A. Kennard of the General Electric Company; and Dr. E. W. Rice, Jr., president of the General Electric Company and president of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers.

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# ROOSEVELT'S CLUB SWINGS AT HEARST

## Colonel Hails the Editor as Germany's Good Friend After the War Ends.

It became quite evident yesterday that long before Col. Roosevelt opened up on William Randolph Hearst in the Colonel's recent controversy with Postmaster-General Burleson, the Colonel had reached up to the rack where he keeps the big club weighted with lead and had tried, in a manner of speaking, to reach the editor with it.

From the department of information of Columbia University yesterday came the news that in a foreword which the Colonel wrote last February to a book called "A Prophecy of the War," he had published the attitude of the Roosevelt club.

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### CONTRACTED FOR \$4 ICE

"I have contracts which these men made with the city for ice at \$4 a ton. We cannot go ahead because the Ice Comptroller says this ice cannot be brought into the city."

Mr. Selvaggi, who has asked Mayor Hylan to grant him a hearing next Monday afternoon and he is anxious to have Commissioner Day present to let those fellows who are getting as high as 40 cents a hundredweight for their ice," Dr. Day explained. "If they go after it themselves they can get it for 25 cents. They are permitted to charge customers only 50 cents a hundredweight. The situation is intolerable. It is going to put the little fellow out of business. The big fellows are getting those fellows a worse price for them at a wage and then they will deliver all the ice themselves."

### LOCAL WEATHER REPORTS

	5 A. M.	8 A. M.	11 A. M.	2 P. M.	5 P. M.	8 P. M.
Barometer	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0
Humidity	62	62	62	62	62	62
Wind-direction	SW	SW	SW	SW	SW	SW
Wind-force	10	10	10	10	10	10
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### EVENTS TO-DAY

Red Cross parade in Manhattan and Brooklyn. President Wilson speaks at Madison Square Garden at 8 P. M. Meeting of the American Medical Association at Hotel Astor, 4 P. M. Meeting of the American Medical Association at Hotel Astor, 4 P. M. Meeting of the American Medical Association at Hotel Astor, 4 P. M.

# ROCKEFELLER PRAISES CAMPS

## John D. Jr. Declares Uncle Sam Is Making Better Men.

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., who has been making a tour of the camps of the army yesterday with the idea that the army is a character builder and that the men who have gone into the service have been improved by it, said that Uncle Sam is making better men.

"We are not only making abler and healthier citizens out of these young men, but they are also doing much to Americanize the world," he said. "I am sure that the army is a character builder and that the men who have gone into the service have been improved by it."

# MAY DELAY SUBWAY OPENING

## Board of Estimate Holds Up Action on Two Requests.

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# OSCAR OF WALDORF TO REMAIN AT POST

## He Signs Contract That Binds Him to Hotel.

The hotel world breathed more easily yesterday, for the Great Oscar, now other than Oscar Tschirky, affixed the comports of his name to a contract under which he is to remain as a permanent fixture at the Waldorf-Astoria.

When L. M. Boomer came into the general direction of the world famous hotel yesterday, who is anybody asked at once.

# WURSTERBARTH AGAIN ALIEN

## Court Cancels Naturalization Certificate for Disloyalty.

Judge Haight in the United States District Court in Newark yesterday filed his decree cancelling the citizenship of Frederick W. Wursterbarth, formerly postmaster of Clark View, N. J., who was a naturalized citizen of the United States in 1910.

In brief these showed the teacher had said at that time that she would not buy Liberty bonds and that she would not uphold the United States in the prosecution of the war.

# ANTI-U-BOAT DEVICE WILL BE MADE HERE

## British Captain Arrives With Sighting Mechanism.

Capt. Gilbert More of the Royal Flying Corps of Great Britain arrived at an American port yesterday with a little box containing a lensless device for sighting and hitting submarines that has been used by the British in the war zone and has been highly effective.

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# REPUBLICAN GUARD BAND OF PARIS HERE

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# HER LIFE ALL PROSE: AVER'S POET'S WIFE

## Mrs. Petrovitch Asks Separation From Slavonic Authority.

The unphilosophical anger and jealousy of a philosopher who is also a poet—a poet gone wrong, his wife says—is discussed in detail in an affidavit filed in Justice Greenbaum's part of the Supreme Court yesterday by Mrs. Vera D. Petrovitch, late of Grand Forks, N. D., in support of her petition for separation and counsel fees to be granted to her pending the trial of her separation suit against Dr. Walter M. Petrovitch, a Russian refugee and head of the department of Slavonic languages at the New York Public Library.

# DEFAULTER DIES WITH BRIDE

## Hotel Cashier, Short \$750, Kills Wife and Himself With Gas.

Frank Soukup, a Bohemian, who had worked up from bellboy to cashier of the Great Northern Hotel, was found dead from gas in his home at 2244 Washington avenue, The Bronx, last night. Beside him was his bride of a month, and there remained but a suggestion of life when doctors from Fordham Hospital reached her side. She died.

# NEGRO ARRESTED FOR MURDER

## Alleged Assassin of Policeman McGuire Identified by Soldier.

Spurgeon P. Barton, a negro, 26 years old, was arrested last night in a flat at 247 West Sixty-third street and charged with killing Patrolman John McGuire on a street car at Pelham Manor May 7. Mayor J. C. Wilberding offered \$1,000 reward for the capture of the murderer.

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